

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/487,586

Applicant(s)

MESTHA ET AL.

Examiner

Melanie Vida

Art Unit

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Melanie Vida.

(3) Richard Elias.

(2) Kimberly A. Williams.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 13 May 2004.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,8 and 9.

Identification of prior art discussed: Mestha (US 5708916).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Elias emphasized that the color sensor of the prior art measures density versus the claimed measurement of reflectance data (i.e., light). The measurements are then used to achieve real time sensing capabilities. The examiner will look more closely at the DMA sensors of Mestha in view of the remarks during this interview as well as in the amendment already filed.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Kimberly A. Williams

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required